

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

African Policy Committee

Mandate: The Committee is established by the Secretary of State to advise him on policy problems in Africa, to reach decisions on African policy as appropriate, and to improve the coordinated application to current operations of policy considerations.

Participation (Proposed):

Chairman: Assistant Secretary for African Affairs

Members (Principals):

Representatives from Department of State:

AF (Office Directors and Advisers
as appropriate)

S/P

INR

Other Bureaus as appropriate

Representatives from: Department of Defense

White House

CIA

USIA

AID

Other Agencies as appropriate

Functions:

a) Consider and review the preparation of general policy documents and agree upon their content. Policy documents would include both country policy papers (i.e. strategic studies, country guidelines papers, contingency studies, AID program guidelines, special country policy papers), policy studies of functional character applying regionally or to a number of countries, or specific memoranda on particular problems.

b) Review, as necessary, the implementation of U.S. policy.

c) Review the constitution and functioning of working groups to the extent they are needed. Review their activities and policy recommendations.

d) Consider requirements for policy-oriented internal and external research and insure that such papers do not duplicate each other.

e) Keep the Secretary apprised of salient policy developments of interest to him deriving from the work of the Committee.

f) In light of the above functions, make recommendations on the policy issues arising in African Affairs.

State Dept. review completed